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Docket: 1409-2 RCE/CON

For: BINARY TITANIUM-
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CORRECTION OF ERROR IN SMALL ENTITY STATUS
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F. R. §1.28(c), Applicant seeks to correct the error in asserting small entity status in the present application. Subsequent to the filing of the application, December 31, 2003, it has been learned that the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest for the present application, Institut Straumann AG, had more than 500 employees on the filing date. Therefore, the application is not properly entitled to claim small entity status.

In fulfillment of the requirements of Section 1.28(c), below is a listing of all fees paid in error.

The following fee has been paid in the present application:

Basic filing fee - Utility (37 C.F.R. §1.16(a))

Current fee: \$770

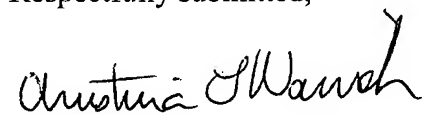
Fee paid on December 31, 2003: \$385

Deficiency: \$385

In order to correct the error in claiming small entity status, this submission is filed along with a check for \$385 representing the amount of the total deficiency. No other fees are believed to be owed, however, please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

If there are any questions regarding this submission, they may be directed to Applicant's attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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